# CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

#### SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2370

Chapter 3, Laws of 2006

59th Legislature 2006 Regular Session

**ENERGY ASSISTANCE** 

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1/12/06

Passed by the House January 11, 2006 Yeas 97 Nays 0

### FRANK CHOPP

## Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate January 11, 2006 Yeas 48 Nays 0

#### CERTIFICATE

I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2370** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

## RICHARD NAFZIGER

#### BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate
Approved January 12, 2006.

FILED

January 12, 2006 - 3:45 p.m.

Chief Clerk

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Green, Williams, Kessler, Kilmer, Chase, Blake, Morrell, Appleton, Moeller, Hasegawa, Murray, Linville, Conway, P. Sullivan, Springer, Takko, Lantz, Dickerson, Kenney, Fromhold, Kagi, McIntire, Ericksen, B. Sullivan, Simpson, Ericks, Sells, Upthegrove, Ormsby and McDermott; by request of Governor Gregoire)

READ FIRST TIME 01/11/06.

- AN ACT Relating to low-income home energy assistance; amending RCW
- 2 80.01.080; adding a new section to 2005 c 518 (uncodified); making an
- 3 appropriation; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to 2005 c 518
- 6 (uncodified) to read as follows:
- 7 FOR THE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
- 8 Public Service Revolving Account--State
- 10 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
- 11 conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for
- 12 transfer to the department of community, trade, and economic
- 13 development for the low-income home energy assistance program. The
- 14 department shall not use any of this appropriation for administrative
- 15 costs.
- 16 Sec. 2. RCW 80.01.080 and 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 s 940 are each
- 17 amended to read as follows:
- 18 There is created in the state treasury a public service revolving

- 1 fund. Regulatory fees payable by all types of public service companies
- 2 shall be deposited to the credit of the public service revolving fund.
- 3 Except for expenses payable out of the pipeline safety account, all
- 4 expense of operation of the Washington utilities and transportation
- 5 commission shall be payable out of the public service revolving fund.
- 6 During the 2003-2005 fiscal biennium, the legislature may transfer
- 7 from the public service revolving fund to the state general fund such
- 8 amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the fund.
- 9 <u>Due to the extraordinarily high winter energy costs, during the</u>
- 10 <u>2005-2007 fiscal biennium, no more than seven million six hundred</u>
- 11 thousand dollars, as appropriated in section 1 of this act, shall be
- 12 payable out of the public service revolving fund to provide energy
- 13 <u>assistance to customers in accordance with the low-income energy</u>
- 14 <u>assistance program.</u>
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 16 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 17 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
- 18 immediately.
  - Passed by the House January 11, 2006.
  - Passed by the Senate January 11, 2006.
  - Approved by the Governor January 12, 2006.
  - Filed in Office of Secretary of State January 12, 2006.